## 111TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H. RES. 530

Commending the purpose of the third annual Civil Rights Baseball Game and recognizing the historical significance of the location of the game in Cincinnati, Ohio.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 11, 2009

Mr. Driehaus (for himself and Mr. Conyers) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

## **RESOLUTION**

- Commending the purpose of the third annual Civil Rights Baseball Game and recognizing the historical significance of the location of the game in Cincinnati, Ohio.
- Whereas the third annual Civil Rights Baseball Game is being held in Cincinnati, Ohio, at the Great American Ballpark on June 20, 2009;
- Whereas the Cincinnati Reds, the host of the Civil Rights Baseball Game, are recognized as being the first professional baseball team in the United States;
- Whereas the Major League Baseball Civil Rights Game was created to honor those who fought both on and off the field for the equal treatment of all people;

- Whereas baseball was at the forefront of the civil rights movement and was integrated before either the Armed Forces or the public schools;
- Whereas Cincinnati, Ohio, was home to the Negro League's Cincinnati Tigers from 1934 to 1937;
- Whereas Cincinnati, Ohio, was an integral stop along the Underground Railroad as one of the first free "stations" slaves would encounter when escaping north; and
- Whereas Cincinnati, Ohio, is home to the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, which opened in 2004: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives—
  - 2 (1) commend the purpose of the third annual
  - 3 Civil Rights Baseball Game; and
  - 4 (2) recognize the historical significance of the
  - 5 location of the Civil Rights Baseball Game in Cin-
  - 6 cinnati, Ohio.

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